

## **REPORT FOR: COUNCIL**

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<b>Date of Meeting:</b>	3 November 2011
<b>Subject:</b>	Decisions taken under Urgency Procedure by Portfolio Holders, Leader and Deputy Leader, and Use of Special Urgency Procedure
<b>Responsible Officer:</b>	Hugh Peart, Director of Legal and Governance Services
<b>Exempt:</b>	No
<b>Enclosures:</b>	None

### **Section 1 – Summary**

This report sets out decisions taken under urgency procedure rules by Cabinet, the Leader and Portfolio Holders, and use of the special urgency procedure since the meeting of the Council on 14 April 2011.

#### **FOR INFORMATION**

### **Section 2 – Report**

In accordance with Committee Procedure Rule 47.6 set out in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, any Executive decisions taken as a matter of urgency are reported to the next available meeting of the Council. However, on this occasion there were no decisions taken as a matter of urgency since the Council meeting held on 14 April 2011.

In accordance with the Access to Information Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of the Council's Constitution, the use of the Special Urgency procedure in relation to Executive decisions is to be reported quarterly to Council.

The Special Urgency procedure has been used once since the Council meeting on 14 April 2011. This related to the Key Decision on the 'Cabinet Decision

Making Protocol and Amendments to Financial Regulations'. This decision was taken by Cabinet on 18 October 2011 and is the subject of a recommendation to Council elsewhere on the Council Summons.

### **Section 3 – Further Information**

Where appropriate, Ward Councillors, outside organisations and interested parties are consulted on individual reports considered by Cabinet.

Where decisions are deemed urgent, the agreement of the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is obtained that the decision would not be subject to the call-in procedure.

In relation to the report on 'Cabinet Decision Making Protocol and Amendments to Financial Regulations' and the use of Special Urgency procedure set out under the Access to Information Procedure Rule 16, the agreement of the Chairman of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee was obtained that the taking of the decision could not be reasonably deferred thereby ensuring that the proposals were recommended to Council to adopt at the earliest opportunity so as not to unduly delay their implementation.

### **Section 4 – Financial Implications**

As per the individual reports to Cabinet, the Leader and Portfolio Holders.

### **Section 5 – Corporate Priorities**

Corporate priorities are included in the individual reports to Cabinet, the Leader and Portfolio Holders.

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Date: 24 October 2011		

### **Section 6 - Contact Details and Background**

#### **Papers**

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##### **Background Papers:**

Council's Constitution/Report to Cabinet